

## MAN FOUND DEAD AT WEDDING HOUR SLAIN, IS BELIEF

Bruce's Wallet Missing, but  
Jewelry He Wore Left  
Undisturbed.

Every hour of investigation throws into deeper mystery the death of young Alexander Bruce, the hotel manager of Flushing, L. I., whose body was found thrust by the tides of Flushing Bay amid the rocks on the edge of a dreary marsh a few hours after the time set for his marriage to Miss Florence McGann yesterday morning. Like the climax of one of those Victorian novels our mothers used to read when they were girls is the story of how pretty Florence McGann of No. 238 Fifty-fifth street and the young Scotsman who was her devoted lover were "parted at the altar rail" by the veiled hand of tragedy.

Twelve years ago Bruce came from Scotland to New York, a clean-limbed, clean-souled lad, who loved his "kirk" and lived according to Commandments rule. He soon found his place in Flushing, where he accepted the position of manager under John Theofel, Jr., owner of the Monument Hotel there. He made friends in town, but they were not among the butterflies and careless spenders.

A little over a year ago he met Miss McGann at a dance and fell in love with her. In his cautious Scotch way he advanced his suit and after a year's wooing they were engaged. Then he put his savings into the furnishing of a little cottage at No. 51 Bank street in Flushing. With true Scotch canny he also provided for his bride in advance by taking out a small life insurance in her favor and establishing a savings account in her name with a Brooklyn savings bank.

Finally, the date for the marriage was set for Wednesday of this week; the ceremony was to be performed in St. John's Church, near Miss McGann's home in Manhattan. On Tuesday morning he left the hotel in Flushing, telling Theofel, the proprietor, that he would be back at noon. He said he was going to meet his fiancée to arrange details for the wedding on the following day. His plan was to return to the hotel at noon, transact some business for his employer and return to Manhattan in the late afternoon to rejoin his sweetheart. On Monday night he visited several stores in Flushing and settled small bills he owed; he displayed a goodly roll of banknotes in doing so.

When Bruce failed to appear at the hotel by night Theofel began to make inquiries among the trolley car motormen and conductors. He found a conductor who remembered Bruce's having ridden to town with him, but none who had seen him returning from Long Island City. Theofel remembered that when Bruce left the hotel that morning he carried a wallet containing between \$50 and \$60.

The bride-to-be spent a night of terror on Tuesday. Wednesday came, and with it the hour for the wedding—9:30 o'clock. Though the priest waited at the church and Miss McGann, with her wedding gown on, sat with hands clasped in the apartment of her parents, hoping against hope that Bruce would appear, the hour for the wedding passed and no bridegroom came.

Almost at the exact hour when the wedding march should have been played boys digging for "night walkers" at the edge of Stratton's Woods, on an arm of Flushing Bay, between

Flushing and College Point, came upon the body of a man lying wedged between rocks at the high tide line. The body was hatless and without overcoat. In one pocket was a small purse containing \$4; a gold watch was in a waistcoat pocket, and in the tie was an opal and diamond pin. A heavy blue mark was on the left temple.

Policeman Smith, on duty at College Point causeway, was told of their find by the boys. By papers in the pocket he was led to call Theofel at the Monument Hotel on the phone. Theofel identified the body as that of his manager, Alexander Bruce. Late last night Theofel took Miss McGann, at her own request, to the College Point Morgue, and there the girl who was to have been a bride looked upon the face of her lover and fainted.

Coroner Daniel M. Ebert ordered an autopsy performed upon the body of Bruce at Jamaica today in the possible chance that poison might be found to have caused his death. The fact that the wallet, which had contained so considerable a sum when Bruce left the hotel on Thursday morning, was missing gave the indication of robbery. But to refute it there were the watch and opal pin, the latter worth \$25 or so, and the purse with \$4 in it—not easily overlooked by one who would go to the length of slaying in order to rob.

The hands of the watch pointed to 11:20.

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